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Applicant: FLETCHER A. BLACKMON ET AL.
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Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sirs:

It is respectfully requested that the enclosed declaration of Mohanadreza M. Hagh (in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63) be entered for the above-identified patent application and that further action on the "Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(a) In Response to Notice To File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application" (submitted 11 March 04) be considered in view of the entered declaration of Mr. Hagh. It further requested that the enclosed declarations of the co-inventors (Fletcher A. Blackmon, John Proakis and Masoud Salehi) be entered at this time to accompany the declaration of Mohanadreza M. Hagh.

As indicated in the above-identified petition, Mr. Hagh, as a joint inventor refused to join in the above-identified

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application in that he was prohibited under 37 CFR 1.63 to sign a declaration without the availability of a specification and claims. The specification and claims of the application were unavailable to Mr. Hagh due to the fact that he was residing in Iran and therefore the documents were statutorily prevented from being sent to Mr. Hagh.

As further indicated in the above-identified petition, there was a reasonable expectation that Mr. Hagh would return to the United States and indeed Mr. Hagh has returned to the United States. In a discussion on May 3, 2004 with the duty attorney at the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Office of Petitions, Mr. Hagh's return was discussed and it was agreed that his signed declaration would be entered for the application by submittal to the Office of Petitions and the declaration is therefore submitted.

It is therefore requested that the declaration of Mohanadreza M. Hagh be entered for the above-identified patent application in order to resolve the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application (submitted 11 March 04) and therefore allow prosecution of the application to proceed. Concerning the resolution of the notice, the declarations of the co-inventors (Fletcher A. Blackmon, John Proakis and Masoud Salehi) are now entered to accompany the declaration of Mohanadreza M. Hagh. It is further requested that any deficiencies be charged or any credits be added to Deposit Account No. 14-0590.

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The Director or his representative is invited to phone Michael P. Stanley, attorney for the Applicant, at 401-832-6393 for any additional information or comment in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,
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12 May 2004
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